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Re: THREAT TO KILL PRESIDENT KENNEDY
BY J. A. MILTEER, MIAMI, FLORIDA,
NOVEMBER 9, 1963

On November 26, 1963, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past and in addition has furnished some information that could not be verified or corroborated, advised SA PETERSON as follows:

On November 23, 1963, J. A. MILTEER was in the Union Train Station, Jacksonville, Florida, and at about 4:25 p.m. on that date stated he was very jubilant over the death of President KENNEDY. MILTEER stated, "Everything ran true to form. I guess you thought I was kidding you when I said he would be killed from a window with a high-powered rifle." When questioned as to whether he was guessing when he originally made the threat regarding President KENNEDY, MILTEER is quoted as saying, "I don't do any guessing."

On the evening of November 23, 1963, MILTEER departed Jacksonville, Florida, by automobile en route to Columbia, South Carolina. During this trip, MILTEER stated that he had been in Houston, Ft. Worth, and Dallas, Texas, as well as New Orleans, Louisiana, Biloxi and Jackson, Mississippi, and Tuscaloosa, Alabama. MILTEER said he was acquainted with one R. E. DAVIS of Dallas, Texas, whom he described as a "good man," but did not indicate he was personally acquainted with DAVIS. MILTEER did not indicate on what dates he was in the above cities, except for Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

MILTEER related that he was in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and contacted ROBERT SHELTON of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (United Klans), on the evening prior to the bombing of the

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Note the difference in the introduction after Oswald was officially ordained unassisted assassin. Milteer not only blueprinted the assassination in advance, he took credit for it afterward. Davis is mentioned in the Dallas Secret Service memos on the Minuteman handbill attacking Nikita Khrushchev that follows. Neither the FBI nor Secret Service made this correlation for the Commission (pp.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has requested that certain pages of this document not be disclosed. This request was incorporated in a letter of August 13, 1965, to Dr. Wayne C. Grover, Archivist of the United States from Norbert A. Schlei, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice.

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(Hoover and his FBI pretend it is not they but the Department of Justice that is responsible for what they suppress of the suppressed files of the Warren Commission. This National Archives mimeographed form leaves no doubt who is responsible. In actuality, the FBI went over all the papers they supplied the Commission and specified which ones had to be suppressed, on their order. Where it has been possible to check the probable real reasons, either by general knowledge of the contents of what is suppressed, as in this case, or where I have been able to obtain copies of the withheld pages, almost without exception the readily apparent reasons are to protect rightist extremists of various shades or to prevent embarrassment to the federal government, sometimes by exposing official misrepresentations. Protection of the innocent against inaccurate charges is a proper reason for withholding. However, I have found not a single case of proper protection of those with the faintest liberal hue and many cases where what should have been withheld to protect such people against palpable defamation was made freely available.)

From the index to this file (the federal police slipped up there, not editing their indexes to hide what they were suppressing), it is apparent the page withheld here deals with the bombing of the Birmingham church in which innocent black children were murdered (pp.126-7), as does the tape (pp.175-9). The Archivist of the United States informs me the files of the Warren Commission contain neither the tape nor the transcript nor any indication either was ever provided to the Commission.

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A characterization of the Association of South Carolina Klans follows. Sources therein have furnished reliable information in the past.

After their arrival, MILTEER stated that there was no point in discussing President KENNEDY, and again stated, "We must now concentrate on the Jews." MILTEER advised that he was preparing a pamphlet which he wanted to disseminate throughout the country. Prior to concluding their discussion, information was received that JACK RUBY had killed LEE HARVEY OSWALD. In view of this, MILTEER said he would have to alter the information he was setting out in his pamphlet.

The source advised that based on his contact with MILTEER, he could not definitely state whether MILTEER was acquainted with either RUBY or OSWALD.

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The handwritten note was made by the Archives staff. Chapter 10 (pp.96ff.) deals with a subsequent NSRP "concentration" on Jews.

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by J. A. MILTEER, Miami, Florida,
November 9, 1963

J. A. MILTEER is also known as JOSEPH ADAMS MILTEER. He was born February 26, 1902, at Quitman, Georgia, and lives at Quitman and Valdosta, Georgia. He reportedly is a wealthy bachelor who inherited an estimated $200,000 from his father. He is reported to have no family, no employment and to spend a great deal of time traveling throughout the Southeastern United States. He has been unsuccessful in city politics in Quitman and publishes a weekly pamphlet critizing the operation of the Quitman City Government. MILTEER has associated himself with the Constitution Party of the United States and attended a convention of this partyheld at Indianapolis, Indiana, during October, 1963. He was reprimanded by this party for describing himself as being the party regional chairman for the Southeastern states. MILTEER reportedly became disillusioned with the Constitution Party of the United States and has attempted to form a party known as the Constitutional American Parties of the United States. MILTEER allegedly intends to use the Constitutional American Parties of the United States as a front to form a hard core underground for possible violence in combatting integration.

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The interview of JOSEPH ADAMS MILTEER, as well as additional information regarding him, is contained on pages 24-26 of the report of Special Agent CHARLES S. HARDING, Atlanta, Georgia, dated December 1, 1963, in the case entitled "LEE HARVEY OSWALD; INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA".

P. 125 and 126 are withheld for research.

What a filing system, what FBI logic: reports on a murderous native fascist under "Oswald" and "Russia"! The note on withholding is by the Archives staff.